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TELEROBOTIC SYSTEMS

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Dear Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies were provided in the parent application (USSN 09/378,173) and therefore are not enclosed herewith pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(d), unless otherwise indicated.

Applicants believe that their invention as claimed is patentable over the above references taken alone or in any combination. However, Applicants reserve the right to demonstrate that their claimed invention was made prior to any one or more of the above-identified references. No inference should be drawn as to the pertinence of the references based on the order in which they are presented.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references to make his own determination of the patentability of the present invention and that the references be made of record in the file of this application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the application and therefore, no fee is believed to be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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